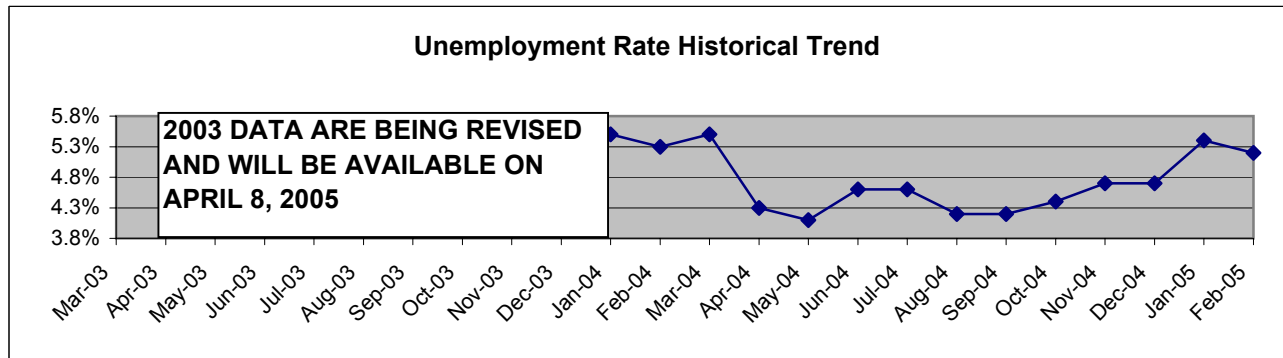


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SANTA BARBARA-SANTA MARIA-GOLETA METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)
 (Santa Barbara County)

The unemployment rate in Santa Barbara County was 5.2 percent in February 2005, down from a revised 5.4 percent in January 2005, and below the year-ago estimate of 5.3 percent. This compares with an unadjusted unemployment rate of 6.1 percent for California and 5.8 percent for the nation during the same period.



Industry	Month to month changes				Year to year changes		
	Jan-2005	Feb-2005	Change		Feb-2004	Feb-2005	Change
Total Jobs	178,600	180,200	1,600		178,400	180,200	1,800
Farm Jobs	12,200	12,000	(200)		11,300	12,000	700
Nonfarm Jobs	166,400	168,200	1,800		167,100	168,200	1,100
Natural Resources and Mining	900	900	0		800	900	100
Construction	9,000	9,100	100		9,300	9,100	(200)
Manufacturing	12,800	13,000	200		13,100	13,000	(100)
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	28,000	27,800	(200)		27,000	27,800	800
Information	4,000	4,100	100		4,000	4,100	100
Financial Activities	8,500	8,600	100		8,400	8,600	200
Professional and Business Services	21,500	22,000	500		22,200	22,000	(200)
Educational and Health Services	19,800	20,000	200		19,300	20,000	700
Leisure and Hospitality	20,900	21,100	200		21,300	21,100	(200)
Other Services	5,500	5,600	100		5,600	5,600	0
Government	35,500	36,000	500		36,100	36,000	(100)

Notes: Data not adjusted for seasonality

Data may not add due to rounding

Additional data are available on-line at www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov

Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Goleta MSA

Santa Barbara County
Industry Employment & Labor Force
March 2004 Benchmark

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	Feb 04	Dec 04	Jan 05 Revised	Feb 05 Prelim.	Percent Change Month Year	
Civilian Labor Force (1)	210,900	212,800	211,700	214,100	1.1%	1.5%
Civilian Employment	199,700	202,700	200,300	203,000	1.3%	1.7%
Civilian Unemployment	11,200	10,100	11,400	11,100	-2.6%	-0.9%
Civilian Unemployment Rate	5.3%	4.7%	5.4%	5.2%		
(CA Unemployment Rate)	6.7%	5.7%	6.3%	6.1%		
(U.S. Unemployment Rate)	6.0%	5.1%	5.7%	5.8%		

Total, All Industries (2)	178,400	182,400	178,600	180,200	0.9%	1.0%
Total Farm	11,300	13,300	12,200	12,000	-1.6%	6.2%
Total Nonfarm	167,100	169,100	166,400	168,200	1.1%	0.7%
Total Private	131,000	133,200	130,900	132,200	1.0%	0.9%
Goods Producing	23,200	23,000	22,700	23,000	1.3%	-0.9%
Natural Resources and Mining	800	900	900	900	0.0%	12.5%
Construction	9,300	9,200	9,000	9,100	1.1%	-2.2%
Manufacturing	13,100	12,900	12,800	13,000	1.6%	-0.8%
Durable Goods	9,900	9,800	9,700	9,800	1.0%	-1.0%
Computer and Electronic Product Manufacturing	3,300	3,100	3,000	3,100	3.3%	-6.1%
Residual-Miscellaneous Manufacturing	6,600	6,700	6,700	6,700	0.0%	1.5%
Nondurable Goods	3,200	3,100	3,100	3,200	3.2%	0.0%
Service Providing	143,900	146,100	143,700	145,200	1.0%	0.9%
Private Service Producing	107,800	110,200	108,200	109,200	0.9%	1.3%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	27,000	28,900	28,000	27,800	-0.7%	3.0%
Wholesale Trade	4,300	4,500	4,400	4,500	2.3%	4.7%
Retail Trade	19,900	21,500	20,700	20,600	-0.5%	3.5%
Food and Beverage Stores	4,000	4,200	4,100	4,100	0.0%	2.5%
Clothing and Clothing Accessories Stores	2,000	2,400	2,200	2,100	-4.5%	5.0%
Residual-Miscellaneous Store Retailers	13,900	14,900	14,400	14,400	0.0%	3.6%
Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities	2,800	2,900	2,900	2,700	-6.9%	-3.6%
Information	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,100	2.5%	2.5%
Financial Activities	8,400	8,600	8,500	8,600	1.2%	2.4%
Finance and Insurance	5,300	5,300	5,200	5,300	1.9%	0.0%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	3,100	3,300	3,300	3,300	0.0%	6.5%
Professional and Business Services	22,200	21,600	21,500	22,000	2.3%	-0.9%
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	9,900	9,600	9,600	9,800	2.1%	-1.0%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	1,500	1,300	1,300	1,400	7.7%	-6.7%
Administrative and Support and Waste Services	10,800	10,700	10,600	10,800	1.9%	0.0%
Educational and Health Services	19,300	20,000	19,800	20,000	1.0%	3.6%
Educational Services	2,600	3,000	2,800	2,900	3.6%	11.5%
Health Care and Social Assistance	16,700	17,000	17,000	17,100	0.6%	2.4%
Health Care	13,500	13,600	13,500	13,600	0.7%	0.7%
Social Assistance	3,200	3,400	3,500	3,500	0.0%	9.4%
Leisure and Hospitality	21,300	21,500	20,900	21,100	1.0%	-0.9%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	2,500	2,700	2,600	2,500	-3.8%	0.0%
Accommodation and Food Service	18,800	18,800	18,300	18,600	1.6%	-1.1%
Accommodation	4,600	4,400	4,300	4,300	0.0%	-6.5%
Food Services and Drinking Places	14,200	14,400	14,000	14,300	2.1%	0.7%
Other Services	5,600	5,600	5,500	5,600	1.8%	0.0%
Government	36,100	35,900	35,500	36,000	1.4%	-0.3%
Federal Government	3,800	3,700	3,700	3,700	0.0%	-2.6%
State and Local Government	32,300	32,200	31,800	32,300	1.6%	0.0%
State Government	10,700	10,400	10,300	10,500	1.9%	-1.9%
State Government Education	10,100	9,900	9,800	10,000	2.0%	-1.0%
Other State Government	600	500	500	500	0.0%	-16.7%
Local Government	21,600	21,800	21,500	21,800	1.4%	0.9%
Local Government Education	11,900	11,800	11,500	11,900	3.5%	0.0%
County	4,700	4,700	4,700	4,600	-2.1%	-2.1%

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					Month	Year
City	2,600	2,600	2,600	2,600	0.0%	0.0%
Other Local Government	2,400	2,700	2,700	2,700	0.0%	12.5%

Note 1: Civilian labor force data are by place of residence; include self-employed individuals, unpaid family workers, household domestic workers, & workers on strike.

Note 2: Industry employment is by place of work; excludes self-employed individuals, unpaid family workers, household domestic workers, & workers on strike.

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